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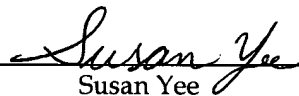
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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)**

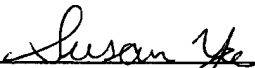
In response to Senior Petitions Attorney Tannouse's request for further information, Applicant submits the following to the Examining Attorney:

*Declaration Signed by Inventor.* In Applicants' Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) dated September 10, 2002, Applicants provided

evidence that after diligent efforts, inventor Zhou Hong could not be located. Since the filing of that Request for Reconsideration, however, Applicants have successfully located Mr. Hong and obtained his signature on the Declaration and Power of Attorney form (attached hereto as Exhibit A).

As the Applicants have met all of the applicable requirements under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), and have addressed the Examining Attorney's objections in the Decision Refusing Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), the Applicants believe the Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) should be accepted by the Examining Attorney.

Dated: 11/20/02

  
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EXHIBIT A



ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO.: PA1732US

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**Fixed Rate Block-Based Image Compression with Inferred Pixel Values**," the specification of which (check one):

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on January 17, 2002

as U.S. Application No. 10/052,613

or PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application, having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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(Application Number)

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(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

09/351,930

(Application Number)

July 12, 1999

(Filing Date)

pending

(Status -- patented, pending, abandoned)

08/942,860

(Application Number)

October 2, 1997

(Filing Date)

patented

(Status -- patented, pending, abandoned)

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** I hereby appoint the attorney(s) and/or agent(s) associated with the customer number **22830** to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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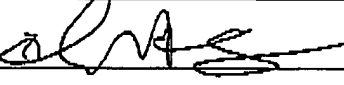
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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